

Subject: Naming Unnamed Parks Discussion

Meeting Date: May 8, 2023	
Submitted/Presented by/Department: Dave Schletty/Parks & Recreation Department	
Action Type	
<input type="checkbox"/> Consent Item	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion/Direction
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/> Informational Only
<input type="checkbox"/> Action/Motion	<input type="checkbox"/> Report
<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
Action	
Discuss the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee Park Naming Recommendations	
Background	
<p>The City Council approved the Park Naming Policy on February 28, 2022. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) have since been formulating ideas for naming two of West St Paul's unnamed parks; the "Art Park" and the "Pool Park". The Pool Park is located on 1.5 acres just south of the outdoor pool with a trail connection to Moreland Ave. While it is proximity to the pool, it is completely separate and as such should have its own name. The Art Park is located on a small 1/5th acre parcel at the busy corner of Butler and Oakdale. As you may know this lot was donated to the City after a bank foreclosure, with the stipulation that it needed to remain greenspace. It was unofficially adopted as an art park, but never officially named or dedicated. The PRAC has come up with the following name possibilities:</p> <p>Pool Park: Weatherhead, Heinemann, Orme East, Shady Lane, Shady Grove, Poolside, and Moreland</p> <p>Art Park: Imagination, Creativity Corner, Art Park, and Gateway</p> <p>Two of the suggested names reference significant individuals in/from West St Paul history, with the remainder being more geographical in nature. The PRAC would like to use any discussion or recommendations from Council to engage residents at the City Open House, through their engagement in the parks and possibly using social media. After collecting comments from residents, the PRAC will submit their formal recommendation, to Council, for the naming of these two parks, hopefully by late summer 2023. The final decision on the naming of the parks will be left to the City Council.</p>	
Attachments	
Park Naming Policy 2-28-2022	
Previous Relevant Actions	
Alternatives	
Financial	
Budgeted: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Financial Impact